

In re Application of: Ashok AMIN, et al.

Serial No.: 09/925,970

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For: METHOD FOR TREATING HEPATITIS

Art Unit: 1648

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Examiner: D.C. WORTMAN

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an [XX] Amendment []

in the above-identified application.

[XX] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

[] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

[] No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)		Small Entity		Other Than a Small Entity	
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Total	6	Minus	20		0		x 9		\$
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First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim							140		\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE									\$
								Total	\$

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[XX] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

Small Entity

Response Filed Within

[XX] First - \$ 55.00

[] Second - \$200.00

[] Third - \$460.00

[] Fourth - \$720.00

Other Than Small Entity

Response Filed Within

[] First - \$ 110.00

[] Second - \$ 400.00

[] Third - \$ 920.00

[] Fourth - \$1440.00

[], Less fees (\$) already paid for months extension of time on

[] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

[] A check in the amount of \$ is attached (check no.).

[XX] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, authorizing payment in the amount of \$ 55.00 is attached.

[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR Section 1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR Section 1.18.

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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In response to the Office Action of
February 25, 2002, for which a one month extension of
time to respond is hereby requested, please enter the
following amendment:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 2, please amend paragraph [0006] as
follows:

[0006] There are currently two drugs which
have been approved for treatment of rheumatoid arthritis
that act by neutralizing the activity of secreted TNF:
etanercept (ENBREL), which is based on a p75:pC receptor
and a humanized monoclonal antibody that neutralizes the
activity of TNF, such as ~~in~~flixamab (REMICADE).
Etanercept, or ENBREL, is an extracellular ligand binding
protein of the human p75 TNF receptor (TNF-R) linked to

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